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COORDINATING GROUP

Meeting on Monday,
29 January 1951 at 2:30 at CIA

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PARTICIPANTS: Mr. James Q. Reber, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. William C. Trueheart, Department of State
Colonel O. B. Sykes, Department of the Army
Lieut. Colonel Arthur G. Kiel, G-2, Department
of the Army
Captain R. F. Stout, USN, Department of the Navy
Captain R. G. McCool, USN, The Joint Staff
Colonel J. C. Marchant, Department of the Air Force
Dr. Malcolm C. Henderson, Atomic Energy Commission
Mr. Moffert W. Kuhrtz, Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Agency
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1. Mr. Reber passed out a paper describing the functions of the Office of Intelligence Coordination and read a draft "rationale" elaborating the work of that office. Proposed terms of reference for the group were distributed and Mr. Reber explained what he hoped could be accomplished. There was general agreement that the arrangements should be kept as informal as possible.

Biographical Register

2. The agency representatives will see that the questionnaires are filled in and returned to CIA.

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3. Mr. Reber will check to see if this is in conflict with any activity of the [redacted] project.

National Intelligence Survey

4. The question was raised of what would have to be done in the field of basic intelligence if war should be declared tomorrow. It

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was suggested that in order to be ready for such an eventuality the following problems will have to be addressed:

a. Do we need as complete coverage as is afforded by the NIS as presently constituted?

b. What are the urgent areas among the sixty of high priority?

c. What is the relative priority of the program?

Various difficulties were pointed out with regard to these questions and after discussion most of those present felt that the best way to pose the matter would be to ask the Intelligence Advisory Committee to authorize a production rate of fifteen NIS per year instead of the current eight. Mr. Reber stated that he would report the discussion to the CIA office concerned and suggest that the matter be put on the agenda of the IAC for 8 February 1951

Procedure On Briefing

5. State, Army, Navy and The Joint Staff representatives expressed a desire for CIA to brief outgoing military attaches on CIA organization and functions as they bear on the individual's field. Upon approval of this proposal by CIA Mr. Reber will inform each agency of the officer responsible for the CIA briefing. Consideration will be given to the advisability of revising IOP No. 1 to express clearly the part each agency would play.

Psychological Intelligence

6. Mr. Reber will get in touch with Captain McCool who will arrange for him to talk to the service people concerned with this problem.

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OFFICE OF INTELLIGENCE COORDINATION

I. MISSION

The Assistant Director for Intelligence Coordination is charged with assisting the Director in discharging his responsibilities for coordination of intelligence activities in the Government which relate to the national security and to assist the Director as required in dealing with coordination problems within the Agency.

II. FUNCTIONS

The Assistant Director for Intelligence Coordination shall:

- A. Serve as Secretary of the IAC.
- B. Develop and recommend policies for the coordination of intelligence activities relating to the national security.
- C. Advise and assist in matters relating to national security in order to achieve effective operation of the Federal Intelligence System.
- D. Review and evaluate the effectiveness of the coordinating efforts and arrangements in the Federal Intelligence System.

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